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December, 1962



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## 'SCOUT FAIR' HEADS SPRING CALENDAR

### 'GO' ROUNDUP PROGRESS

Tremendous! Over 10,000 new boys have been pledged and 90% of all units show increases toward a December 31, 1962, goal of 48,757 boys in 1,842 units.

The Col. John Glenn posters, radio and TV spots are in use and bringing results.

### More Than 20,000 Scouts and Leaders to Participate

Offering modern design and over 100 varieties of power-packed activities, the "Do Your Best For America" Boy Scout Fair, set for May 17, 18 and 19 at the International Amphitheatre next year, will sell the Scouting program to thousands of boys who are waiting to join.

### Key Men In Project Division, 1963 Council Finance Campaign



Reading left to right: **Irving Crown**, vice chairman, Material Service Division, General Dynamics Corporation; **Lambert Bere**, president, State Bank of Clearing; **George Miller**, vice president, First National Bank of Chicago; **N. A. Stepelton**, president, National Tea Company; **John M. Claerhout**, assistant Scout executive; **Alden G. Barber**, Scout Executive, both of the Chicago Area Council; (seated) **Warren H. Bacon Sr.**, vice president, Administrative Service, Supreme Liberty Life Insurance Company; **George Strichman**, president, Fairbanks-Whitney Company and **Howard D. Murphy**, partner,

Price Waterhouse & Company. Not present for the picture: **George S. Cobb**, president, Coca-Cola Bottling Company of Chicago; **Joseph S. Wright**, president, Zenith Radio Corporation; **George Banino**, president, I.T.T. Kellogg; **Stanley M. Freehling**, partner, Freehling, Meyerhoff & Company. These men are soliciting projects which are identifiable pieces of the Council budget.

Together with the Project Division the Reserve Memberships, under the guidance of **Charles H. Walgreen**, and the Sustaining Memberships chaired by **Allen P. Stults**, will kick-off December 5.

### THEY WERE SUCCESSFUL

COUNCILER's role of announcing coming events gives way to congratulations to committees (through their chairmen) for the past month's council-wide activities.

The November 24 Cub Pow Wow, **Hugh L. Kline**, chairman, was held at Lane Tech with more than 400 units and nearly 1,600 Cubbers participating.

The fifth annual Boy Scout Horse Show was held at the International Amphitheatre, a great success due to the efforts of **Mrs. Charles S. Potter** and her committee.

The November Eagle Court of Honor, **Mel Ellingsen**, chairman of the committee, added 91 more Eagles to council's growing roster.

Fireside chats in 13 districts were productive of greater understanding to 60% of the unit leaders in each district. District chairmen are to be congratulated for their arrangements and hospitality.

### McCormick Place to Be Scene of Annual Meeting

**Saul L. Corush**, general chairman of council's annual meeting committee, has notified everyone involved that registration begins at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, January 26, 1963. On this date, the council operating committees' annual reports will be reviewed, an election of officers held and the 1963 program adopted. At 6:30 p.m. an estimated 1,200 Scouters will dine, be entertained, witness the installation of next year's officers and watch the always impressive Silver Beaver award ceremony. Mail checks to Scout service center, \$5.50 per plate.



Saul L. Corush

The event will follow the traditional "County Fair" format of action displays, plenty of music and fun parades in a carnival setting but with a serious, underlining purpose. 1,200 units are expected to participate. All promotional media will be used in this "everybody participating" exposition to give Chicagoland an opportunity to see what there is about Scouting that appeals to boys from eight to eighteen.

### UNITS MUST SIGN UP EARLY

Booth space will be at a premium with hundreds of packs, troops and Explorer units eager to show youthful skill and ingenuity.

### CUB CARNIVAL

A continuous stage show of Cubbing skits such as Knights of Old, Days of Yore, Pirate Treasures, Kitchen Utensil Band, Fat Lady and Human Skeleton, Tight Rope Artists and more as clever Den Mothers concentrate on their assignments.

### BOOTH SHOWS

Blue ribbons of distinction will be given to units displaying the most compelling and eye-catching Scouting requirements. Live demonstrations always prove to be effective.

### EXPLORER SPECIALTIES

Physical fitness, as a national project and of keen interest to Explorer Scouts, will stimulate a wide variety of action displays such as obstacle courses and kindred fitness tools. Air Scouting will have its story to tell, as will brawny Sea Scouts who sail the bounding main!

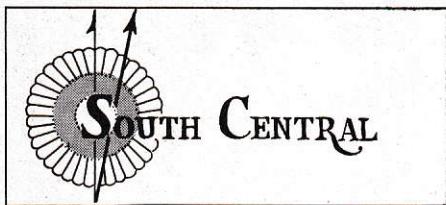
Plan now to enter the 1963 Boy Scout Fair, destined to become the most memorable as well as most gigantic in Chicago Area Council history. Make this bold, courageous statement a fact!

**Other Features** include; An Indian Village with Indian camps, dancing and crafts. An exciting Pinewood Derby race and thousands of other action displays and shows.

**A unit leader's guidebook** will be mailed to every unit leader shortly. Included in it will be complete details and unit application form—Plan now to take part in the most gigantic display of Scouting ever.

### UNIT LEADERS! TIME FLIES!

Check your Gov. Kerner Achievement gains!



District Chairman ..... Theodore R. Hawes  
 District Commissioner ..... Arthur R. Ray  
 District Executive ..... Andrew Johnson  
 Ass't Dist. Executive ..... Joseph Peoples  
 Ass't Dist. Executive ..... Robert Sanders

#### DISTRICT CALENDAR

##### December

- 1 Health & Safety Chairmen's Fellowship at Valley View Training Center
- 1 First Session, Operation "Patrick Henry," Field Building, 135 S. LaSalle
- 7-8 Fellowship for Camping and Organization & Extension Chairmen at the Valley View Training Center
- 7-9 District Camping Weekend at Camp Harrison for units with permits
- 8 Second Session, Operation "Patrick Henry," Field Building, 135 S. La Salle
- 10 "Uniform Day"—urge each boy to wear his uniform!
- 10 Commissioner Staff Meeting & Awards at Washington Park Field House, 5531 South Parkway ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 13 District Committee Meeting for all District Officers, Institutional Representatives Members-at-Large at Washington Park Field House ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 14-15 Cubmasters, Scoutmasters, Explorer Advisors, and Skippers' Fellowship at Valley View, 6240 South County Line Road, Hinsdale
- 15 All "Together Plan" new units due!
- 18 District Roundtable Christmas Party and Membership Rally at the South Parkway YMCA, 436 E. Pershing Road for ALL leaders ..... 7:45 P.M.
- 20 Mon-Da-Min Chapter, Order of Arrow at Washington Park ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 27 Order of Arrow Lodge Banquet
- 31 Our Roundup ends. Be sure every boy in your unit is registered.

#### OUR DECEMBER UNITS

The following units are due to reregister by December 15 in order to receive 30 points in the Governor Kerner Achievement Program: 171-3171 Stateway Gardens; 180-3180 Pleasant Green Baptist Church; 3530 Pilgrim Baptist Church; 527 Grant Mem. AME Church; 3536 St. Anselm Roman Catholic Church; 539 Liberty Baptist Church; 540-3540 St. Augustine's A. E. Church; 2546 Ebenezer Baptist Church; 547-3547 Good Shepherd Congregational Church; 3549 Metropolitan Community Church; 553-2553 Woodlawn A.M.E. Church; 3554 Corpus Christi Roman Catholic Church; 564-3564 Tabernacle Baptist Church.

#### OUR TOP ROUNDUP UNITS

40 units and their membership increase from August 31 to November 12 are: 3170-32; 545-22; 3535-10; 3449-6; 551-4; 3546-18; 2256-9; 3548-6; 3181-18; 3553-9; 173-5; 2449-3; 196-16; 3565-9; 3531-5; 544-3; 552-16; 448-8; 535-5; 2545-3; 3536-14; 3575-8; 2536-5; 183-2; 536-12; 449-7; 3551-5; 2177-1; 3117-12; 531-7; 2552-5; 3523-1; 3446-11; 537-7; 177-4; 3538-1; 3552-11; 2243-6; 3243-4; 544-1.

These, and all leaders having an increase will get a gift from Santa at our December 18 Christmas Party!



District Chairman ..... Norman E. Bourne  
 District Commissioner ..... Norman Reisman  
 District Executive ..... William Gates

#### DISTRICT CALENDAR

##### December

- 10 Explorer Cabinet Roller Skating Party, 730 Gastlin Street, Hammond, Indiana.
- 11 Neighborhood Commissioner Staff, South Chicago YMCA, 91st and Houston ..... 8:00 P.M.
- 12 District Committee Meeting, Board Room of U.S. Steel, South Works, 3426 E. 89th ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 12 Explorer Cabinet, First Evangelical United Brethren Church, 11000 Ewing, ..... 8:00 P.M.
- 17 Cub and Scout Roundtables, United Church, 91st and Exchange ..... 7:30 P.M.

#### OUR TOP ROUNDUP UNITS

In our fall roundup (August 31 to December 15, 1962) 24 units have sent in additional enrollments with new boys as of November 15, 1962. However the following have exceeded their goals, congratulations to:

R. Ortiz, 248; W. Johnson, 767; A. Callner, 797; H. Skibinski, 750; C. Ellis, 739; P. Sopchich, 749; J. Krieps, 704; R. Walker, 3767; J. Kuhel, 3777; W. Novosad, 3783; M. Koch, 3755; S. Pavelkovich, 5796; M. Shanks, 2733; B. Moshinsky, 3738; M. Gordon, 3796.

#### MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR LIST

A new list of merit badge counselors is now being prepared and distributed by the district advancement committee. **Dave Zitnick**, chairman of the advancement committee would like suggestions on other men qualified by occupation or specialized skill to serve as merit badge counselors. Please give full name, address, zone, business and home phones, and explain why you would want your boys to seek him as a counselor. **Dave's address** is 9658 S. Oglesby Avenue, Chicago 17, Illinois.

#### OUR DECEMBER UNITS

The following units are due to reregister by December 15 in order to receive 30 points in the Governor Kerner Achievement Program:

South Chicago Neighborhood House ..... 248  
 First Evangelical

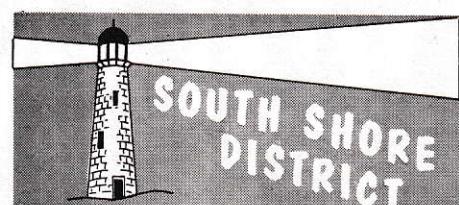
United Brethren ..... 701, 3701  
 Hegeweschen Methodist Church ..... 720, 3720  
 Congregation Kehilath Israel ..... 733, 3738  
 ..... 3733, 2733

Immaculate Conception

Roman Catholic ..... 735  
 United Church of South Chicago ..... 749, 2756  
 Bethany Lutheran Church ..... 756  
 Bethesda Evangelical Lutheran ..... 3247  
 Bowen High School ..... 2767

#### SCOUT LAPEL PIN

Leaders who reach their roundup pledge will be given these pins, distinguished by a brilliant (simulated) diamond insert. Also a banner and a 5-point bonus award. Troops: #574, **Bernard Withers**; #585, **Sidney Pokorny**; #595, **Howard Stockman**. Packs: #3534, **Robert Jeffers**; #3570, **Verdock Knazze** and Packs #3817, **Leo Long**. Congratulations!



District Chairman ..... Clifford J. Bueschel  
 District Commissioner ..... Charles G. Yarrow  
 District Executive ..... Joseph W. Sedlacek

#### DISTRICT CALENDAR

##### December

- 1 Cub, Scout, Explorer Leader Training Woodlawn and Oak Rooms, Avalon Park, 1215 E. 83rd Street ..... 10:00 A.M.
- 10 Commissioner Staff, Woodlawn Room, Avalon Park ..... 7:30 P.M.

##### January

- 4 District Explorer Cabinet Meeting, this meeting is for two cabinet representatives and advisor from each post or ship in our district. Activities on a district and council basis will be planned and discussed. South Shore Community Church, 7407 S. Yates ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 15 Commissioner Staff, Woodlawn Room, Avalon Park ..... 7:30 P.M.

#### JOHN GLENN "GO" ROUNDUP

As this is being written, cards and letters are arriving in our Council Service Center sent by boys wanting to join Scouting and asking for a photo of **John Glenn**. As quickly as possible the boy's request with two photos of **John Glenn** will be delivered to the unit leader of your unit. A Cub, Scout or Explorer from your unit will then deliver the photo to the boy and invite him to join. The inviter will receive the second photo.

#### TOP ROUNDUP UNITS

Units who have registered 5 or more boys (as of November 10) as part of the fall roundup program which started August 31 and concludes with December are:

238 Alex Adams	10 boys
534 Robert Sublette	6 boys
574 Bernard Withers	10 boys
585 Sidney Pokorny	11 boys
3570 Verdock Knazze	5 boys
3573 Walter Harris	5 boys
3740 Frederick Smith	13 boys
3775 Emil Gustafson	11 boys
3817 Leo Long	8 boys

Congratulations to the above Scoutmasters and Cubmasters for offering Scouting to more boys!

#### CHIEF CHICAGO TRAIL PILOT HIKE

Our Troop 716, **Phil Foley**, Scoutmaster, who sparked the Chief Chicagou Trail received an official City of Chicago Flag from **Nicholas J. Bohling**, 7th Ward Alderman for being the pilot troop to take the hike. Nearly 200 Scouts and leaders took the hike on November 10 and 11.

#### CONGRATULATIONS

A beautiful Universal Scout lapel pin with a simulated diamond insert will be awarded to the following unit leaders for reaching their units' roundup pledge. In addition their units will receive a bonus award of 5 points in the "Do Your Best for America" achievement program and a A-OK Honor Unit Banner.

#### Troops

547 Bernard Withers  
 585 Sidney Pokorny  
 595 Howard Stockman

#### Packs

3534 Robert Jeffers  
 3570 Verdock Knazze  
 3817 Leo Long



## GREATER ROSELAND DISTRICT

District Chairman.....John J. Mustari  
District Commissioner.....Ernest Zagatta  
District Executive.....Albert Broberg  
Ass't Dist. Executive.....John Roy

### DISTRICT CALENDAR

#### December

6 Key Three meeting, Scout Room, 551 West 103rd Street .....8:00 P.M.  
12 Commissioner Staff meeting, Palmer Park, 111th and Indiana .....7:30 P.M.  
14 District Steering Committee, Scout Room .....8:00 P.M.  
19 District Cub, Scout and Explorer leader's Roundtable, Palmer Park .....7:45 P.M.  
26 Order of the Arrow meeting, St. Anthony Church, Scout Room, Kensington and Indiana .....7:30 P.M.

### COMMISSIONER MEETING

A complete report of all progress in the district will be given. We believe this is going to be a fine report, however, if there are some weak spots there will still be time to give a helping hand and put Greater Roseland District way over the top.

### DISTRICT STEERING COMMITTEE

"What did we do in 1962 and where will we be in 1963", will be our theme for discussion. We are looking forward to a complete report from every operating committee chairman.

### ROUNDTABLES

Several of our fine packs will help present the January Cub theme, "Freedom Festival", and our Cub assistant district commissioner always comes up with an extra surprise, so be there to bring home a bag full of ideas.

The Boy Scout theme, "Be Prepared", will be given by John Walker's group.

Fi Finizzo will be discussing future activities with the Explorer group.

### ORDER OF THE ARROW MEETING

It certainly speaks well for the fine leadership in Greater Roseland district to witness the enthusiasm and dedication to good Scouting displayed by the young men who attend the Order of the Arrow meetings.

Many of them, now home from college, always renew old ties of fellowship by attending lodge. The program committee always presents an interesting evening. We expect a large turnout December 26.

### A GREAT YEAR AHEAD

Many wonderful events have come to pass this year and both commissioner staff and district committee are anxious to place the credit with the men and women who have worked so faithfully to advance Scouting in Greater Roseland.

Your district Scout executive, Albert Broberg and assistant Scout executive, John Roy, often remark how much they depend on such men as John Mustari, Ernest Zagatta and many others who have taken vital posts of leadership. Willingness to tackle difficult problems cheerfully is a characteristic of Greater Roseland adults. This is reflected in the boys.

**The season's greetings to all!**



## TRI-RIDGE DISTRICT

District Chairman.....Robert Buddig  
District Commissioner.....Trevor H. Tucker  
District Executive.....Robert McCarthy

### DISTRICT CALENDAR

#### December

5 Key Three meeting, Bob McCarthy's home, 10705 South Prospect ..8:00 P.M.  
9 Commissioner Staff Conference, Walnut Room, Foster Park Fieldhouse ..1:30 P.M.  
17 District Executive Committee meeting, Bob McCarthy's home, .....8:00 P.M.  
25 Merry Christmas

### THANKS

To training instructors Millie Brown, Larry Linde, Roger Stroud, Arthur Hassel, Otto Teshner, and their several assistants for a fine fall training program.

To Andrew Griffin, Jr., for the reorganization of Troop 657 (dropped last January), sponsored by Auburn Park Methodist Church.

To Fred Welfare, Institutional Representative for St. Leo's Church, in accepting the directorship of our Klondike Derby.

To Charles R. Cummings, a new member of our district camping committee.

To Explorer Ship 5596 and South Chicago Elks Lodge for hosting our November district meeting.

### DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

All district officers should make December 17 a must on their calendar. We have to complete this year's business and start next year's plans. In addition, the council's director of field services will be our special guest that evening.

### FALL ROUNDUP—MEMBERSHIP

Are all of the boys attending your unit meeting registered? On November 15, only a third of our units had registered the number of new boys which they pledged in the Fall Roundup. As a result, Tri-Ridge is serving 500 less boys than it pledged to serve. Our business is boys, registered boys in active units enjoying the program of Scouting. A comparison of your attendance roster and your roster of registered boys would be in order, followed by an additional enrollment form to the council office.

### CONGRATULATIONS

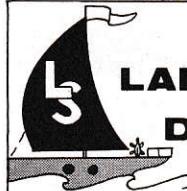
To Fred Welfare, institutional representative of St. Leo's Church, on the birth of a daughter, Mary Helen.

To Harold Brown on receiving the Arrowhead Honor Award.

To Unit Leaders Gerald Clancy 350, Bert Gale 467, John Lamont 629, Otto Teshner 633, Harry Burkhardt 664, Chas. Maxey, Sr., 3467, and William Stetler 5596, all of whom are guaranteed places at the Governor Kerner Achievement Program Award dinner.

### A THOUGHT

Service is the amount we pay on the debt we owe for the space we occupy in this realm. We wish to thank all the fine people who have given 'service' to the district committee and commissioner staff. The space you occupy has been redeemed.



## LAKE SHORE DISTRICT

District Chairman.....Maurice M. Glatt  
District Commissioner.....Victor Yamakawa  
District Executive.....Andrew Springs

### DISTRICT CALENDAR

#### December

4 Cub, Scout and Explorer Leaders' Roundtable, First Baptist Church, 935 E. 50th Street .....7:30 P.M.  
11 District Commissioner's Meeting, home of LeRoy Lahman, 5555 S. Kimbark Avenue .....6:30 P.M.  
13 District Committee Meeting, Shore Drive Motel, 56th and South Shore Drive .....7:30 P.M.  
14 District Swim Meet, Bartlett Gym, 57th and University Avenue .....6:45 P.M.

### A DYNAMIC WELCOME

To our newest unit, Explorer Post 2503 sponsored by St. Thomas the Apostle Roman Catholic Church; Explorer Advisor Joseph Morrisette. "You did a grand job in organizing this unit, Albert Morrisette."

### ROUNDTABLE

No one would consider missing the December roundtable meeting night on December 4. There will be the usual program helps, a Christmas party, then graduation exercises for those who have completed the fall training course.

Be sure to come out and get an early start in the Christmas spirit plus help get our graduates off to a friendly beginning in Scouting.

If you wish to participate in the Christmas grab-bag bring a gift (not more than a dollar) suitable for man or woman.

### CHRISTMAS CARD

As a special advance Christmas card in person, have the Scouts in your unit invite boys to join Scouting. What happiness you could bring a boy by presenting him with his registration card. His family can give him a new Scout uniform for Christmas, plus any of the many exciting Scouting aids to go with it. Such a Christmas would thrill any boy.

Register your new boys by December 15.

### SWIMMING MEET

The Lake Shore District Swimming Meet is to be held at Bartlett Gym, University of Chicago, 57th and University Avenue, on Friday, December 15. Registration opens at 6:45 P.M. The first event will start promptly at 7:00 P.M.

Each unit must furnish one adult to help officiate at the meet.

### UNITS DUE BY DECEMBER 15

To qualify for 30 points in the Governor Kerner Achievement Program, the following units must have their charters approved and delivered to the council office not later than December 15:

St. Clara Catholic Church	1343
St. Clara Catholic Church	4343
Holy Mt. Zion Pentecostal Assembly	1550
Holy Mt. Zion Pentecostal Assembly	4550
Woodlawn Baptist Church	3341
St. Paul Episcopal Church	3566
Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church	340

## DESIGNED FOR GOOD SCOUTING

Each of the unit campsites can be reached from the central parking area by well-developed pedestrian roads. Scouts arriving at Yorkville will have the opportunity to hike from the administration area. Unit campsites are fully equipped with individual patrol areas, patrol tables and drinking water piped from the camp well through a frost-free water system which affords water even during the coldest of winter months. Sanitary facilities have also been winterized so that each campsite has a well heated, fully equipped latrine and washroom.

Many program aids are available from the resident director who is on hand to assist unit leaders in the development of their day or week-end program. Many trails across the Yorkville property afford Scouts an opportunity to see an abundance of Illinois wild life in its natural habitat.

## PLAN A DAY HIKE TO YORKVILLE

Yorkville's winter facilities readily lend themselves to unit day hiking. Scouts arriving by 9:00 a.m. will have more than 7 hours of daylight hiking time on the reservation.

Yorkville is ideal for many phases of the advancement program. Unit leaders who have encouraged their Scouts to practice outdoor skills will have an opportunity during a day hike to pass most of the First or Second Class outdoor requirements. More advanced Scout units using the camp will enjoy improving their camping skills and the opportunities for work on many outdoor merit badge requirements.

## EQUIPMENT RENTAL

Although most units will bring their own equipment with them, complete unit camping outfits are available on a rental basis. All unit gear including charcoal stoves, trail chef cooking kits, tents, axes, and other program items needed by new or unequipped groups for a day hike or overnight can be rented for a nominal fee.

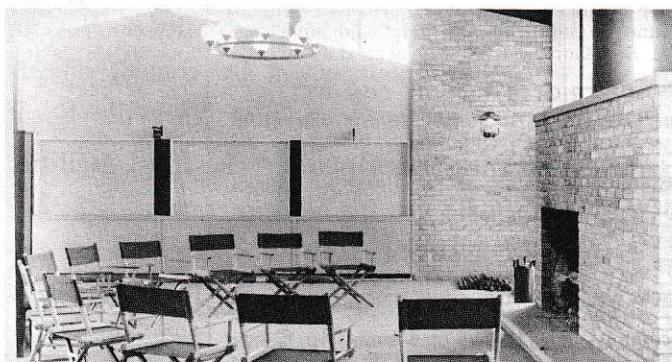
Cooking at Yorkville will be done mostly on charcoal stoves; however, ample firewood is available for heating and advancement requirements. The camp has a fully equipped first aid center under the direction of the resident director, and the nearby medical facilities of the town of Yorkville can be utilized in an emergency.



Troop Site Sanitary Facility

## MEET YOUR RESIDENT DIRECTOR

Mr. Wilbur E. Johnson, the resident director and long-time Scouter, has served as a district executive and camp director at both Camp Kiwanis and Owasippe Scout Reservation, and is available to assist unit leaders in carrying out the program as planned by their troop leaders' council. In the case of a unit with little camping experience, he is available to counsel with them and help the unit leader design a program to meet the needs of his Scouts.



Interior of Administration Center

## MANY FEATURES ROUND OUT SERVICES

In addition to the winter camping facilities, many other features of Yorkville will become available in the spring of 1963. Included among those are Cub Scout outing areas and several large camporee fields.

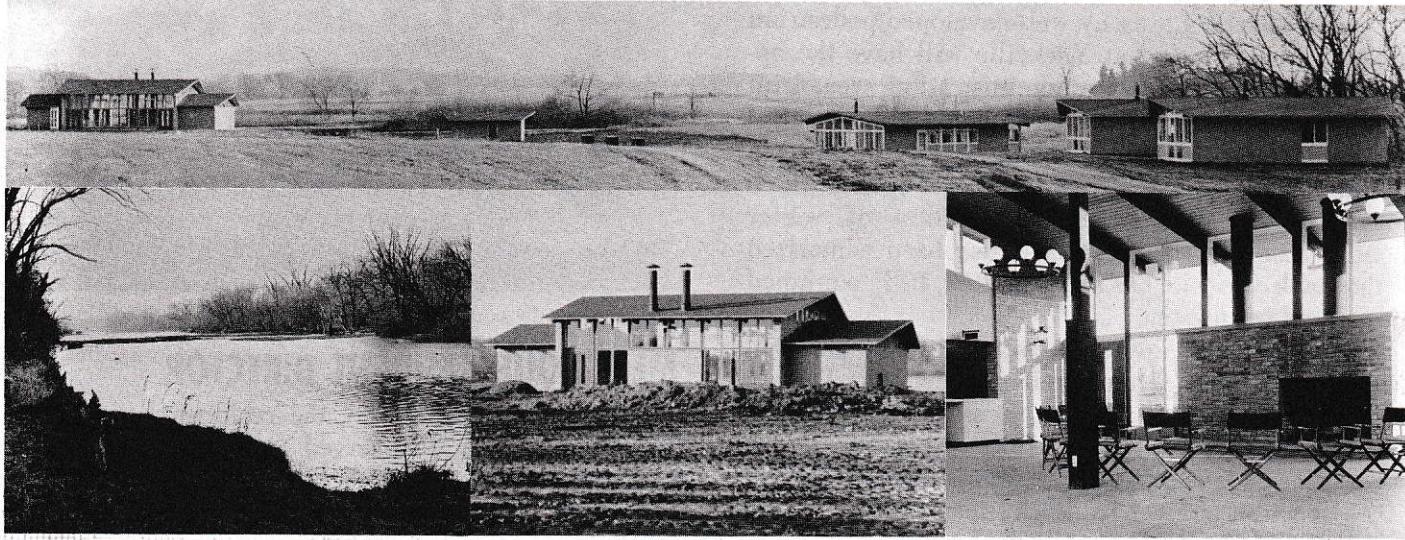
Located in the town of Yorkville are supermarkets and stores which lend themselves to the purchase of food and other supplies as needed.

In nearby communities churches of all faiths are available on Sunday so that Scouts may live the 12th point of the Scout Law, "A Scout is Reverent." Information about shopping centers and church services can be obtained from the resident director whose phone number in Yorkville is 553-4941.

## STANDARD NEAR-IN CAMP REQUIREMENTS

Yorkville Scout Camp is operated in the same manner as all the other near-in camps. A 10¢ ground fee per person per night applies, as do all the other Scout camp requirements. Camping is done at Yorkville by permit only. For a reservation call, write or visit the Scout Service Center, 9 West Washington Street, Chicago 2, Ill.

# YORKVILLE CAMP NOW OPEN



CAMPING FACILITIES READY FOR SCOUTS

## NEW PROGRAM HORIZONS

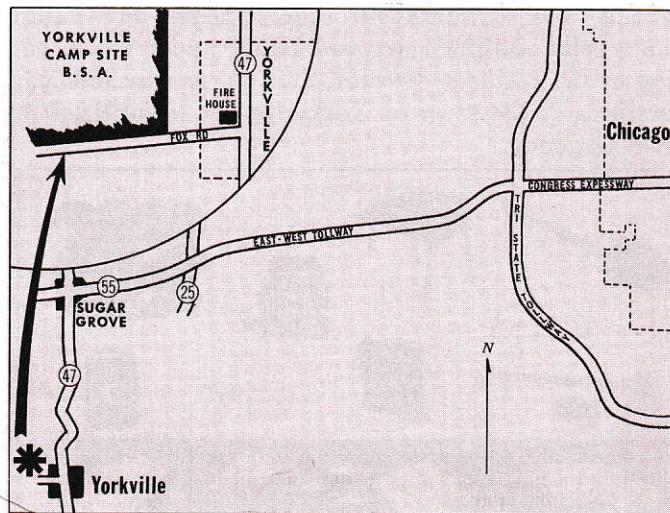
Another major goal of the Chicago Area Council's Camp Capital Campaign became a reality on November 15 with the announcement by council officers of the opening of the brand-new Yorkville Scout Camp, near Yorkville, Illinois. "The ideal facilities of the camp should provide new program horizons for units and districts with emphasis on day hiking and overnight winter camping," said W. R. Blew, chairman of the Council Camping Committee. The camp, which has been in the process of development for more than a year, has been designed to meet the individual needs of every Scout unit in the Chicago area. More than 29 camping sites are available in a variety of terrain from heavily wooded areas to field,

hilltop and valley sites, and Scout troops and Explorer posts will be sure to find several well fitted to their own experience level. Many of the spring-fed streams in camp feed directly into the Fox River, northern boundary of the camp.

The modern, practical design of the camp has in no way been allowed to detract from the outdoor appeal of this "scouting paradise." The four-hundred-twenty-six acres of rolling woodland are completely secluded with no public access beyond the administration area and large 250-car parking lot. Each campsite provides more than four usable acres for the camping troop or post, and is so laid out that individual patrols may retain their identity with adequate room for troop assembly and program needs.

## HOW TO GET THERE

The Yorkville Scout Camp is easily reached from any part of the Chicago Area Council by paved highways directly to the village of Yorkville. Other paved roads continue into the camp parking lot. To get there, the following route is suggested: Take the Congress Expressway and the East-West Tollway to State Highway 47. Turn south (or left) on Highway 47 to the town of Yorkville. Then turn west (or right) at the first camp sign (at the junction of Fox Road and Highway 47 in Yorkville). Keep on Fox Road for approximately 1.4 miles to the camp entrance sign.





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## Along the Scouting Trail

By ALDEN G. BARBER

Council President Bryan S. Reid, Jr. and I are just completing district fireside chats with our unit leaders and their ladies. What a grand experience it has been!

We have had the opportunity to explain the council's plan for the future, and to hear your comments. From our standpoint these chats have been most worthwhile and we are already using some of your suggestions.

It seems to us that a much greater degree of understanding has resulted on the following points:

1. The part everyone must play in the 1963 Finance Campaign.
2. The great need to encourage institutional awareness of Scouting and to strengthen the ties between sponsoring institutions and their units.
3. The importance of growth in boys and units in order to serve 25% of the available boys by 1970.
4. The need to help parents realize the important role they must play in Scouting.

Thank you, unit leaders, for the time you took for the fireside meetings and for the courtesies you extended to us and our wives.

## Explorer Programs Slated

There is a healthy surge of interest in council's revitalized programs for the older boys.

The career conference tentatively set for March is a giant's stride in the right direction.

Explorer advisors will soon receive entry blanks for the National Rifle Association's postal matches, an Explorer activity.

For more information about Explorer activities, call the Scout service center, S<sup>T</sup>ate 2-3990, and ask for "activities."

ROBERT THOMPSON  
9521 S GREENWOOD  
CHICAGO ILL

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## Council Calendar

### December

- 1 Operation 'Patrick Henry,' Field Building, 135 S. LaSalle ..... 9:00 A.M.
- 6 Explorer Cabinet, First Federal Building, 1 S. Dearborn ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 8 Operation 'Patrick Henry,' Field Building, 135 S. La Salle ..... 9:00 A.M. Organization & Extension Fellowship, Valley View ..... All Day
- 12 Open House, Council Service Center, 9 West Washington ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 14 Sea Explorer Leaders, Valley View, dinner begins at ..... 7:15 P.M.
- 18 Catholic Committee on Scouting, 1122 S. Wabash ..... 7:30 P.M.
- 20 Executive Board, Palmer House
- 25 Christmas Day
- 27 Order of the Arrow Banquet, Hamilton Hotel, 20 S. Dearborn ..... 6:30 P.M.

## Camp Promotion Kits Ready



Guidebook

A unit leader's guidebook about camping at all of council's six wonder camps, will be available from your district Scout executive or district camping chairman after December 5.

A filmstrip and recording with information about the long-term camps as well as region Seven's canoe base and the great ranch Philmont is packaged to accompany the guide.

## Open House at Service Center

One of the notable innovations in council-district relationships is the hosting of new volunteer adults at 9 West Washington. This occurs (rain, sleet or snow) the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Letters of invitation are mailed as new men and women are registered. You are invited too!

The groups are escorted through all phases of service center activity with the end result: council is not some remote robot but warm, human and eager to be of service.

## Advancement Plan Outlined

Unit leaders who present written requests (transmittals) for advancement awards will note this procedure:

(a) Transmittals and mail orders for awards should be addressed to the Chicago Area Council, not the trading post as the trading post is not operated by our council. It is a National Council outlet serving many councils.

(b) Within 24 hours of its receipt at the council service center the transmittal will result in individual certificates being forwarded to the persons whose names are indicated. If money accompanies the mail order or the unit has money on deposit with our service center, actual badges will accompany the typed certificates.

(c) Unit leaders should take their advancement forms directly to the trading post if they wish to purchase badges at the same time. The trading post will send the form to the service center after the order has been filled.

(d) If extra awards (badges) are desired, secure the original request from our service center before approaching the clerks at the trading post. This prevents unauthorized sales.

(e) At the time of registration, leaders are given Bobcat and Tenderfoot pins at no cost. These pins identify new boys as officially registered with the Boy Scouts of America.

## Religious Awards

Unit leaders interested in Scouting's religious awards, will address all inquiries to the Scout service center, 9 W. Washington.



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